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TO : Assistant Director for Operations

DATE: 7 January 1952

FROM : Chief, Foreign Documents Division

SUBJECT: FDD Monthly Progress Report - December 1951

1. An administrative and operational history of FDD, which will be included in a history of CIA, was begun.

2. Two FDD intelligence officers completed the initial phase of the ID Strategic Intelligence School.

3. The class in elementary Russian, begun during October, primarily for the benefit of clerical and screening personnel, continues and will probably be completed this month.

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4. Projects of more than routine interest initiated during the month included: (a)

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survey of Far Eastern press reaction to Stalin's views on the A-bomb following President Truman's announcement of the explosion of the second Soviet bomb.

5. FDD completed a listing of about 1,300 names of UN POWs listed in the Chinese Communist press.

6. The Document Exploitation File received 88 inquiries from 23 IAC offices during the month, as a result of which 40 duplications of translation/exploitation were prevented.

7. Two more groups of new ORR personnel toured FDD on familiarization visits.

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8. [] Assistant for Production, OSI, was briefed on FDD operations.

9. Noteworthy publications disseminated during the month included:

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a. [] "Sino-Soviet Aid to Southeast Asia Dissidents Increases."

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b. [] "The Leadership of the Chinese Communists in the Far East and Mao as an Interpreter of Marxism-Leninism."

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c. [] "New Purges in Rumania."

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10. Microfilm copies of Issue No 12, 1948, and Issues Nos 8 and 11, 1949, of the USSR periodical Yezhemesyachnyy Byulleten' Izobreteniy (Monthly Bulletin of Inventions) were received this month [redacted] answer to a previous request. This publication, a monthly journal published by the Committee on Inventions and Discoveries, Council of Ministers USSR, is not available for subscription.

11. Among the more than 1,000 items received through special sources this month was the Soviet journal Kryl'ya Rodiny (Wings of the Homeland), published by DOSAV, and not available for subscription.

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13. Shipping advices for five shipments of captured war documents from Korea are being circulated among the branches of FDD. After study by the branches, arrangements will be made to obtain the items selected.

14. Attached are details as follows:

Appendix A -- Statistical Report on FDD Operations
Appendix B -- Details on Personnel Actions

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Statistical Report on FDD Operations
Details on Personnel Actions

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